

Enlisted commissioning

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(ASCP) Airman Scholarship & Commissioning Program

- Must complete degree within either 2 or 4 years
- \$18,000 scholarship
- Students separate from USAF & join an ROTC detachment at the college and receive the nontaxable \$200~\$400 monthly living and * \$750 annual textbook allowances
- ASCP has the advantage in that you can "top-off" the tuition to attend a more expensive school
- Degrees are either technical or non-technical, but technical ones have priority
- 08 ASCP Board Selection Rate: 69%
- Yearly deadline: 15 Oct

(POC-ERP) Professional Officer Course-Early Release Program

- Designed for students with 2 years left toward their bachelor's degree
- Max \$18,000 tuition/yr. (cannot "top-off" to attend a more expensive school)
- Students separate from USAF & join an ROTC detachment at the college and receive the nontaxable \$200~\$400 monthly living * and \$750 annual textbook allowances
- Degrees are either technical or non-technical, but technical ones have priority
- 06 POC-ERP Board Selection Rate: 25%
- Yearly deadline: 15 Oct

(SOAR) Scholarships For Outstanding Airman To ROTC

- Students separate from USAF & join an ROTC detachment at the college and receive the nontaxable \$200~\$400 monthly living and \$750 annual textbook allowances
- Board selects top 10% of applicants to receive a Type 1 (uncapped tuition) scholarship. Otherwise, tuition is non-"top-off" at \$18,000/yr.
- Program is open to ANY MAJOR
- Applicants must be nominated by Wing Commander (or equiv.)
- Annually, 54 SOAR allocations are divided among the MAJCOMs. AFSPC has 3/yr.
- Yearly deadline: 15 Oct

(AECP) Airman Education & Commissioning Program

- Must complete degree within 2–3 years, students attend school year-round (to include summer semesters)
- AECP is NOT an avenue for Undergraduate Flying Training (cannot be a pilot)
- Students REMAIN on ACTIVE DUTY and are "administratively" assigned to an AFROTC det. (still accrue TIS) Duty is to attend college full-time.
- Students still receive FULL PAY and BENEFITS (E-4s or below receive E-5 pay) plus a \$600 textbook allowance annually
- Max \$15,000 tuition/yr. (cannot "top-off" to attend a more expensive school)
- Upon completion of degree, students attend Officer Training School (OTS) (Nurses commission through NCLEX and attend COT)
- Degrees must be Technical, Nursing (NLN or CCNE accredited), or Foreign Area Studies (must include language)
- Must have completed 30 semester hours of graded college coursework (does not include CLEP or CCAF credits) with specific prerequisites
- 08 AECP Board Selection Rate: 81%
- 07 AECP Board Selection Rate: 45% (Reference p. 10: <http://www.afoats.af.mil/AFROTC/documents/AECPNewsletter.pdf>)
- 06 AECP Board Selection Rate: 79%
- Yearly deadline: 15 Feb

(NECP) Nurse Enlisted Commissioning Program

- Similar to pursuing a nursing degree through AECP, with a few exceptions:
- Must complete degree within 24 calendar mo.
- Applicants must be active duty with minimum grade of E-4 (non-waiverable)
- Must commission by age of 42 (instead of 35)
- Must have completed 59 semester hours of graded college coursework (does not include CLEP or CCAF credits) with specific prerequisites
- 2008 deadline: intent to apply notification by 22 Feb; transcripts 31 Mar; completed package 2 May

(LEAD) Leaders Encouraging Airman Development

- 85 Slots available for active duty airmen as well as an additional 85 for reserve and guardsmen who qualify for direct entry into the Air Force Academy (AFA)
- Students must be younger than 23 on 1 Jul of the entry year
- 50 additional slots reserved at the AFA Prep-school for Airmen; these students must be younger than 22 on 1 Jul of their entry year
- Students must be single w/o dependents
- Contact 1-800-443-9266 for more information
- 2008 Deadline: 31 Jan

References

- Air Force Officer Accession & Training Schools (AFOATS), enlisted commissioning Opportunities

- USAF Academy admissions website
- Nurse Corps Force Management, USAF NECP

Nurse Corps Force Management website. Has info on the Nurse Enlisted Commissioning Program (NECP).

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